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98TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

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To amend the Arms Export Control Act (formerly Foreign Military Sales Act) to authorize the President to prescribe regulations for protecting arms information from the risk of indiscriminate export.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 3, 1983

Mr. Bennett introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

- To amend the Arms Export Control Act (formerly Foreign Military Sales Act) to authorize the President to prescribe regulations for protecting arms information from the risk of indiscriminate export.
 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
 - 3 That chapter 3 of the Arms Export Control Act is amended
 - 4 by adding after section 38 thereof the following new section:
 - 5 "CONTROL OF EXPORT OF ARMS INFORMATION
 - 6 "Sec. 38a. The Secretary of Defense, in consultation
 - 7 with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Energy, is
 - 8 authorized to prescribe regulations which specify information

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pertaining to items listed in the United States Munitions list that is required in the interests of the United States to be protected from disclosure in order to preclude the possibility of unauthorized export. Such regulations shall be published for public notice in the Federal Register. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, information specified in such regulations, or materials revealing such information, shall not be published or disclosed unless the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Energy, determines that withholding thereof is contrary to

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the national interest.".